



"Jesus Cures the Man Born Blind"
JESUS MAFA



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 25, 2024
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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The hunger for God can only be satisfied by a love that is face to face, person to person. It is only in the eyes of another that we can find the Icon of Christ. We must make the other person aware we love him. If we do, he will know that God loves him. He will never hunger again.

— Catherine de Hueck Doherty

Gathering Music

“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place”

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“Morning Has Broken”

Arr. Marilynn Ham. © 2011 Alfred Music Pub. Co.

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

“Larghetto”

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* Call to Worship

Shane Schenkel

Leader: Come to the Teacher who can help you see.

People: We come looking for mercy we don't even know how to name.

Leader: Come to the Teacher who calls you to his way of life.

People: We come seeking God's kingdom in this place.

Leader: Come to the Teacher whose greatness is in service.

People: We come to learn grace and gratitude.

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Hymn of Gathering (CONGR 332, vs. 1-5)

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

AZMON

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

If able, please text or message someone from the congregation and share with them the sign of peace.

* Responding in Peace (CONGR 332, vs. 6)

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

AZMON

Psalm Reading

Shane Schenkel

Psalm 34.11-14

Children's Sermon

Rev. Cristina Adams

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer

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“Wondrous Love”

Hearing Our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Unison Discipline of Confession

Gracious God, we are often preoccupied with our own status, or with getting others to do what we want, or worse, how we can convince you to do what we want. Forgive us when we have missed the point of your teaching. Forgive us when we have judged others for asking the same things we ask, but in the wrong way. Forgive us when we have so focused on our desired outcome that we are unwilling to commit ourselves if it can't be guaranteed. Have mercy on us, and guide us once again to follow your way.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: God deems as righteous all who trust that Jesus has been raised from the dead for our salvation. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response (CONGR 399)

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”
O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

God at Work: What FBC Means to Me

Rebekah Johnston

Offertory

“Were You There?”

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

* Gospel Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Mark 10.35–52

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

“Two Requests”

* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 587)

"Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"

NEW BRITAIN

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

"Postlude on 'England's Lane'"

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Liturgist: Shane Schenkel

Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Steve Yoder, Jim Lord • Sound: Marylee Southard

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Laura McCorkill

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Salvation Army Church

*American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Min. Rev. Dr. Greg Mamula,
serving churches in Nebraska*

*International Ministries Global Servants: Brian & Lynette Smith, global servants on Hispaniola
(Dominican Republic & Haiti)*

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.
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** In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*